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## EDITORIAL NOTE VOL 1, NO 1 (2011)

It is with great pleasure that we publish the first ten articles of JISIB. The articles represent a broad collection of topics from within the discipline of Intelligence Studies. There is, we think, a balance in this issue between more managerial and more technical aspects of Intelligence Studies. In today's world, intelligence problems are more often solved with the help of software and technical tools. It is no longer the case in organizations that managers work only with managerial aspects and technicians with technical aspects. Instead it has become a requirement that each group know a bit of both. Managers need to know how to operate software and new technical equipment and technicians need to know about the needs of end-users to be of value. This does not mean that professional specialties are about to disappear. It is more a sign that information technology is getting a tighter grip around the way we build successful organizations. Any study of intelligence with the aim to be relevant needs to reflect this duality.

It is also a pleasure to see that we have got authors from so many countries interested in the journal and from such different academic backgrounds, all interested in the same field and the same kinds of problems. When setting up the Editorial Board it was a goal, if not the primary, to include academics from different cultures representing both sexes. That the articles in this issue are written by authors from so many cultural backgrounds was not our intention, but more of a coincidence and reflects, we believe, the international interest in the journal.

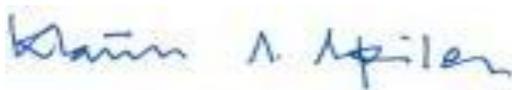
The final aim of the journal is to be of use to practitioners. We are not interested in theory for the sake of theory, and we do not want to publish solutions to small problems which will have no real impact in the intelligence field. With your help we will instead continue to publish scientific articles that are relevant for practitioners and academics alike.

We specially want to thank the authors for this issue. We also want to thank all those who have been involved in the process towards creating the journal, and who have not been mentioned on the website, all those who have participated in discussions during conferences and in social networks. These are too many to list by name, but we want to thank in particular Sheila Wright, Sven Hamrefors and Craig S. Fleisher, who have all followed this project from the start.

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On behalf of the Editorial Board,

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